GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING October 4, 2005 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Murphy, Yahna, Malm and Triplett present. Kvasager was absent.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2005 meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Triplett, to approve the order of agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve the items in the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included employee status change, bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #39831 thru Check #39832 and Check #39864 thru Check #40024 in the amount of \$427,224.15, approval of bonds for check reissue, approval of the Sheriff's Department K-9 Team Statistics Report and Veterans Service Office report. Motion carried.

Jim Galloway, JLG Architects, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to enter into an agreement with JLG Architects to provide the space requested for the concrete sidewalk on the south side of the Opera House and a concrete driveway on the west side of the Opera House, with the only access through the driveway on the north side of the County Office Building. Also investigate if it is possible to use concrete pavers for the driveway and the Opera House would be responsible for any damages to County property as a result. The cost of the concrete work will by paid by JLG Architects and no work will begin before the agreement is in place. Motion carried.

Al Morken, Director Grand Forks 911 Center, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Yahna, to hire ICON Architectural Group to do general overall drawings of how the current Correctional Center could be redesigned for use by other departments including, but not limited to, the Public Service Answering Point (PSAP). Motion carried.

Dean Dahl, Information Systems Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve using the State as a supplier of fiber connection between the County Office Building and the new Correctional Center. Motion carried.

The public hearing for the Application for Property tax Incentives for New or Expanding Business for Ag Park LLP was opened. No one from the public appeared and the public hearing was closed. The applicant was not present so consideration of this application will be held over to the next meeting.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Yahna, to reject the bid for the Sheriff's Department Water Rescue Vehicle that was received by email to the Sheriff's Department by I-State Truck Center. Motion failed with Malm voting aye and Triplett, Yahna and Murphy voting nay.

Ed Nierode was given a directive to notify all department heads that all bid specifications must first be approved by the States Attorney.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Yahna, to waive the technicality that I-State Truck Center bid was received by email. Motion carried with Triplett, Yahna and Murphy voting aye and Malm voting nay.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Triplett, to open the bid. Motion carried.

The following bids were received:

I StateTruck Center \$49,948 Valley Freighliner 49,145

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to reject all bids, modify the bid specifications and rebid. Motion carried.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve the appraised value of the real estate acquired by tax deed and to set the minimum sale price at the amount of 5 years taxes due, plus special assessments, penalties, interest and costs, plus an amount equal to the estimated taxes and special assessments for the current assessment year plus \$100 and set the Property Appraisal hearing for October 18, 2005 at 4:30pm. Motion carried.

Peter Welte, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Ed Nierode, Director of Administration, addressed the board.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to add a requirement to Carole McMahon's job description to provide office support to the Property and Records Department. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to approve the additions to Bridgie Hansen's job description and send it in for reclassification. Motion carried.

Moved by Triplett, seconded by Malm, to purchase new no smoking signs for the County Office Building, Parking Ramp and the Courthouse. Motion carried.

Chairman Murphy appointed Arvin Kvasager as the North Dakota State Fair Delegate.

Robert Wood, Property and Records Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Triplett, to approve out-of-state travel for Debbie Nelson to observe an election in Sacramento, California from November 7th thru the 9th at no cost to the County for this trip. Motion carried.

Moved by Yahna, seconded by Malm, to adjourn. The next meeting will be held on October 18, 2005.

	William Murphy, Chairman Grand Forks County Commission
Debbie Nelson, County Auditor	